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America needed Saudi's help. Saudi said "No, we'd rather be with Moscow". Now what?

Intro

America wanted oil and some control of the heart of the Arab and Muslim worlds by being an ally to the Saudi Monarchy. By "ally" we mean, defend it against its neighbors and enemies in general. They bet on the anti-thesis of everything American. Flip American values on its head and you would get Saudi Monarchy. This is a very bad bet, it made America the enemy of the vast majority of freedom lovers of Arabia and the vast majority of religious Muslims everywhere. Now is the time for America to choose a different path, to correct the old mistake of aiding the absolute enemy of everything American, and Humane also.

Arguments for support

If you look at every single argument presented in America and the West in general to justify the support of the Saudi Monarchy, you will see at best a mirage; you'd think there is substance until you try to touch it and see the reality on the ground. Here are the most important ones with some reflections on them:

1-The Saudis will control the Jihadists and terrorists. Well, stupidity is after all a common commodity . I don't know if I should reveal this secret, but ok I will do it but keep it between us. The Saudi government and its Wahhabi and Salafi followers are the "Jihadists and terrorists". Find anyone with a bachelors degree in Islamic thought in the West, don't look for someone with a Master's degree because he would be over-qualified, and ask him about this issue and he will be able to enlighten you on this issue. Ok, enough with this argument.

2-The Saudi government will counter Iran's influence in the region and they will fight Iran if something happened. On this point I can't disagree. It is true that the Saudi royals will fight if war broke out with Iran. They will fight tooth and nail, you can count on that. On the first signs of war with Iran, the Saudi royals will immediately start fighting all private jet companies so they can wage their Jihad from the shores of California and MonteCarlo, and you bet your retirement savings that they will launch martinis in their mouths and rub themselves with all the essential oils that beverly hills' spas can offer to prepare for battle with the Revolutionary Guard of Iran. You saw what happened when the Saudi government initiated a war against poor Yemen, they are crying now for help, what do you think will happen if Iran started a war with the Saudi regime? All the Prozac and Xanax of the world will not reduce their panic and stress. If a counter power is actually needed against Iran, it is definitely not the Saudi regime. The Saudi regime's expertise is fighting against un-armed civilians like the people of the Arab peninsula in general, helpless women activists in Najd and Hejaz, Old clergymen and freedom teachers with heart disease, and so on, yes, if you want to dominate such helpless civilians then have at it and support the Saudi government because they will be to a great extent effective, but anyone else even someone as poor and skinny as a Yemeni young man with a rifle and 3 bananas in his pocket then no forget about the Saudi regime since they are not qualified for such intense and unfair battles.

3-The Saudi government will protect Israel and is good for Israel. Ok, take a deep breath, because I will reveal another secret only known to me and two men of the unseen world. Are you ready? Here it goes: NOTHING is good for Israel in the Arab world. Not now, not in the future. The only reason why Arabs are not eating Israelis alive is because they know and fear the American and European support of Israel. No one cares about what the Saudi government or Jordanian Government or any Arab government for that matter is doing. The formula in the minds of the majority of the Arabs is this: war with Israel means war with America and Europe, war with the the West means total annihilation, and we don't feel like being annihilated. What some psychopath on the throne of Saudi Arabia will do is not even a factor.

Now if the West wants to help Israel with something more than the implicit or explicit threat of annihilating the Arabs, they can try to help establish more democracies, actual democracies, as far as possible, in the Arab world instead of supporting tyrants that make most Arabs hate the West even more.

4-What comes after the Saudi government might be worse than the Saudis, so it is safer to stick with what we know. This is false from both sides. On the one hand, If you can imagine something worse than the current Saudi government then you have a very strong imagination since the current government hit rock bottom, so it is better to bet that what comes after them will be better than them. On the other hand, it is far easier to support another system more stable and intelligent than the current Saudi system. If you can control a guerrilla you can easily control a chimpanzee. If their must be a monkish state, choose the easier one to control. Or if you want to do yourself and humanity a favor, stop supporting tyrants in the Arab world altogether and support real democratic efforts over there. The Arab peninsula was artificially united, and it should be divided like some intelligent observers mentioned before. It should be four parts, The Hejaz and Najd and the Eastern province and the southern part. The Hejaz should be a republic based on its diversity and centrality to all Arabs and Muslims, and only a republican form will give justice to that fact as the republican form gave justice to the diversity of the 13 colonies of America. I personally don't care much how the people of the Eastern province or Najd or the South choose to control their countries, since I am from Hejaz I can only use my voice regarding it. But as a matter of fact, the Eastern province is made of a majority of Shias so they should have the power to determine their government, and the south is a part of Yemen and If they chose to unite with the current Yemen to form their own republic It will be a great achievement. As for Najd, they can if they wish continue their domination by the Saudi monarchy which is where they started.

5-We support the Saudi government because we want a steady supply of oil. Ok, support the Shias of the Eastern province to gain independence from Saudi domination, and make a deal with them similar to that you have with the current Saudi regime. It will be easier to

do so, and you will gain more favors and support in the Arab world than you ever dreamed of. At least the people will be able to enjoy some of the fruits of oil which is currently being robbed by the Saudi family and its cronies. I am sure the Arabs of those areas would prefer a free government of their own with some oil to a tyrannical government and no oil. It’s an easy sell. Get one of those salesmen in small car dealerships and I am sure he would be able to convince them with such a deal.

These are the major arguments usually proposed by supporters of the Saudi regime, even those who criticize it for everything else. And let me remind those American or other journalists who speak in favor of continuing relations with the Saudi regime: I am sure it easy for you to call for such a thing when you know you will end up in a plane and back to a county where you can say to your president “fuck you” and not lose sleep at night, but try before supporting such a regime to think of the tens of millions of people being fucked daily by this monstrous government…If you don’t lose sleep after such a support than let me tell you from the bottom of my heart: “fuck you!”

Current situation

Now, a new argument is presented against such support of the kingdom. The current de facto ruler is hopelessly ignorant and unjust. His so called achievements can be summarized thus:

What the current de facto ruler of Saudi Arabia is doing has nothing whatsoever to do with liberalization or modernization in any meaningful or serious sense of the word. The essence is the same, only some buttons of the dress were changed, changed by another buttons with the same shape but a different color. In fact what he is doing is even worse than what his predecessors did, because he added to their tyranny in both the political and cultural sense. If you look at his so-called achievements, you will see two categories.

The first are things their government was doing and they ceased doing them. The second are new actions by their government. For example: their government did not allow women to drive, now they lifted their own senseless ban which does not exit anywhere else even in neighboring countries. This is not a positive achievement that they should be credited for. They did something stupid for 90 years, and now they stopped, well, what a big fucking achievement! Another such “achievement” that falls under the first category is putting their Wahhabi lunatics-the “religious police”-back in chains. Well, they unleashed them, now they chained them, they shouldn’t have done so from the beginning, now after ruining the lives and minds of millions of people all over the world by unleashing and funding those violent psychopaths, they-the Saudi government-decided to curtail their powers to some extent not all of their powers and offices since the judiciary and controlling preaching in the mosques is still mainly in the hands of the established sect of the Saudi monarchy, i.e. the Wahhabi sect. I would not credit a rapist for stopping to rape and wanting people to congratulate him for ceasing his horrible act which he initiated willingly from the beginning for his own lust and base desire. This is what the Saudi government is doing by claiming credit for such un-actions and retractions of their own senseless actions and interventions in society. Another such example, and we can end with this one for the first category of so-called “reforms”, regards entertainment, mainly movies and music. As for movies, they banned Cinema, they stopped banning it, again it is not a positive achievement but retracting a senseless one even by their own standards because we were watching all these movies already in our houses through satellite or buying them from movie stores that operated publicly, so you can watch the movie on your couch on a small screen but you couldn’t watch the same movie on a rented chair in the cinema on a big screen, this is the ban the Saudi government was imposing, and you can see how intelligent it is just by looking at it, and now they ceased doing so. The same goes for public musical shows, If they left the people alone they would do that on their own, but they banned them from doing so for years and now they lifted the ban and started one of the ugliest things ever: musical festivals sponsored by a dictatorship! I personally don’t know how

some people have the ability to enjoy such a thing, how can they mix honey with poison and find healing power in it. So this is the first category of achievements.

The second category is the new Saudi government's actual initiatives, not merely un-actions and retractions. So let's see some items on this list. The unprovoked, barbaric, rash, extremely stupid war on Yemen. Knowing the inherent racism of the Saudi regime and thinking that the people of Yemen are easy to defeat-"it will take two weeks" according to the smart crown prince (to be fair, he did not specify 2 weeks according to natural time or divine time, "a day in the days of your lord is like a thousand years in your natural days" as the Quran says), millions of innocent children, women and men suffered and are still suffering because of this war, the people under the Saudi regime are suffering both economically and also in some areas suffering from the stress of falling rockets over their heads, and of-course the people who are suffering the most amongst them are the families of the soldiers who are receiving their sons in body bags so the new ruler can flex his non-existent muscles to Iran and the world. Now this is a real "achievement". Another one is hundreds or thousands of political prisoners, brutalized and tortured in the political prisons of the Saudi regime, women included, and the case of Jamal Kashogi the minor/non-dissident (yes, non-dissident, he did not even want to be called a dissident) who trusted the Saudi government to the extent of going by himself into their embassy in Turkey to get a marriage license which is a grave mistake not just because he wanted to get married which is arguably a mistake but also because he should have known that trusting such people with anything is worse than trusting a poisonous snake that it will giving you a safe French kiss. Now this is another "achievement" of the current regime. A third achievement is taxation without representation. Taxation is according to the Wahhabi sect themselves is forbidden, but now the monarch wants to tax the people without their consent, and by that it suddenly became allowed. Taxation without representation is in itself a sufficient cause of rebellion and revolution, as the writers of the American Declaration of Independence knew well. A fourth achievement is the concentration of power in one

prince or line in the Al-Saud family, whereas previously it was at least to some extent spread out between different lines of the sons of Abdul Aziz the founder of the current state, with the implication of leaving for the people some room to seek assistance and particles of power through these representatives of the royal family, this is gone now and everything goes back to the same smart young (young in mind not just in age) who is the mastermind behind the 2-week war in Yemen, so you can imagine the situation of the people at large right now. We can end these examples with this: narrowing the already narrow window of speech. Before the current despot took power, people could speak three words, now they can whisper one word and even this one they should be careful before uttering it. The Saudi state used to be called the Kingdom of Silence, now it should be called the Kingdom of Dead Silence.

As you can see from these summaries, whenever something good happens under the Saudi state it is usually just themselves getting out of the way and lifting their own non-sensical bans on things and letting the people be, and whenever they initiate something it is usually ugly, bloody, dark, unjust, and magnificently idiotic.

Ukraine issue

America is fighting Russia with economic weapons, since the only other alternative is either nuclear weapons (which does not feel good) or to do nothing (which is not a free person's approach to life). Make no mistake, this is war. There are clear sides, and actual offense and defense. Russia is using its most effective weapons, oil and gas. To counter that weapon, the American side needs oil and gas. Saudi has the oil. America asked for it. The Saudi ruler in effect said to America: "fuck off". This means the Saudi Monarchy switched sides, and why wouldn't they, Russia and China also will not bother the Saudi prince with trivial things like brutalizing women for asking to drive or turning an old journalist into shawarma.

Now the Saudi prince is considering selling oil to the Chinese-his number one customer-using the yuan instead of the dollar, another direct and serious attack on America, greater than supporting Russia if he actually goes through with it. Forgive the prince, he was sucking lollipops when another tyrant in Iraq thought of using other than the dollar to sell his oil.

Even though previous kings and princes in Saudi were also tyrants and robbers, which is the definition of Monarchy, this current prince took that to another level qualitatively and quantitatively. The list of brutalized civilians and political activists is too long to enumerate here and known in general to make mentioning it superfluous. This is attributed to America in the minds of the world in general because of its support of the Saudi regime.

What more will America tolerate from the Saudi monarchy to change its strategy towards it? Say: if 15 Saudis brainwashed by the Saudi sect of Islam crashes planes into American buildings? Oh right, they did that as well.

Solution

Supporting any random family in any village in Arabia will not be as bad as supporting the Saudi clan. But that is not the real and radical (meaning: changing the roots) solution. The real solution is this: dividing the Arab peninsula into at- least three parts. Hejaz, The Eastern province, and Najd.

The Hejaz (with the southern parts of Arabia) should be a republic, free to represent all its diverse peoples and sects of Islam.

The Eastern province, where all the oil is in general, should be a separate country and America can make a deal with them better for sure than the deal they have with the Saudi clan. The Shia majority there will definitely prefer a deal with America than a slavish life under the Saudi/Wahhabi regime which leaves them no religious or political power.

Najd can be left for the Saudi family to do whatever they and the people there want with it. They can be free from all the religious constraints to their superficially modernizing tendencies, and they will not have to carry the burden of being a worthy American ally.

Under this solution, everybody wins more than loses. America can get their precious oil without supporting a murderous tyrannical regime; the Shia in the Eastern province can breathe freely; the Hejaz can regain its central importance for the Islamic world; and the lovely Saudi family can dominate by themselves-if they can-the mighty Arabs of Najd… good luck!